Application No. 10/660,527
Preliminary Amended Claim 1 for discussion with Examiner

1. (Currently Amended) A method of monitoring at least one network device communicatively coupled to a network, comprising:

~~accessing the at least one network device by a first computer to obtain device status~~ obtaining, by a first computer, remote from the at least one network device, device information of the at least one network device, the device information including (1) status information obtained from sensors of the at least one network device and (2) a device identification;

storing the obtained device status information;

~~periodically~~ processing the stored ~~status~~ device information to generate a period usage report for the at least one network device;

transmitting the usage report from the first computer to a second computer; and

receiving the usage report by the second computer.